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E.O. 11652 GDS
TAGS: EAIR, MA, US
SUBJ: CIVAIR: LOCKHEED HERCULES NEGOTIATIONS

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1. FOLLOWING POSTPONEMENT OF TRIP TO US BY MALAGASY DELEGATION
AS REPORTED REF A, LOCKHEED BY TELEGRAM EXTENDED TERMS AND
CONDITIONS OF CURRENT SALES PROPOSAL TO NOVEMBER 1, 1977,
BUT NOTED THAT DELIVERY COULD NOT BE MADE PRIOR TO THIRD
QUARTER 1978 AND MIGHT SLIP INTO 1979.

2. WHEN DATT REVIEWED LOCKHEED TELEGRAM WITH MOD SEC GEN
RASOLOMALALA, LATTER NOTED THAT BOEING 747 CONTRACT HAS BEEN
COMPLETED AND THAT GDRM NOW CAN PROCEED WITH LOCKHEED NEGOTIATIONS. HE COMMENTED THAT "WE TECHNICIANS ARE ENTHUSIASTIC
ABOUT THE PURCHASE OF THE HERCULES, BUT THE FINAL DECISION
REMAINS A POLITICAL ONE."

3. PUTNAM CONTINUES TO CALL EMBASSY TWO OR THREE TIMES
A WEEK AND IS CURRENTLY PRESSING DATT TO QUERY RASOLOMALALA
CONCERNING PRESIDENT'S REVIEW OF LOCKHEED DOSSIER. ADDITIONALLY,
PUTNAM HAS ON ONE OCCASION ASKED WHAT DATT HAS LEARNED FROM
"CLANDESTINE MEETINGS" HE MAY HAVE HAD.

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4. WHILE WE CAN APPRECIATE PUTNAM'S CONCERN WITH DELAY AND
UNCERTAINTY, LOCKHEED SHOULD BE REMINDED OF EMBASSY'S ROLE
IN THIS MATTER, AS PRESCRIBED BY REF B. MOREOVER, SINCE IT
MUST BE ASSUMED THAT ALL TELEPHONE CONVERSATIONS WITH
EMBASSY ARE MONITORED, LOCKHEED SHOULD BE CAUTIONED THAT
SUCH FREQUENT CONTACT MAY LEAD GDRM TO MISINTERPRET USG

INTEREST IN THESE NEGOTIATIONS. ADDITIONALLY, IT SHOULD
BE EMPHASIZED THAT REFERENCES TO DATT'S (NONEXISTENT)
"CLANDESTINE MEETINGS" CAN SERIOUSLY PREJUDICE HIS CON-
TINUED PRESENCE HERE, AS WELL AS RELATIONS BETWEEN THE US
AND THE DRM AND THE POSSIBILITY OF AN EVENTUAL SALE BY
LOCKHEED. BARRETT

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